

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1010
ANSWERED ON:24.11.2000
IMPORT OF NATURAL RUBBER
P.C. THOMAS

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of latex of natural rubber imported during the last three years, years-wise alongwith the details of price and country from which the import was done;
- (b) whether Director-General on Foreign Trade had lifted the ban on import of natural rubber;
- (c) if so, details thereof; and
- (d) the present position in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a) : The required information is given in the Statement annexed.

(b), (c) & (d): With effect from 22.5.2000, import of natural rubber latex was made permissible for holders of Advance Licences for export purposes. However, with effect from 24.10.2000 direct import of latex has been disallowed. Advance licence holders with natural rubber of all kinds as one of the inputs are therefore required to procure the same through STC.

Annexure

STATEMENT REFERRED TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1010. TO ANSWERED ON 24.11.2000 REGARDING IMPORT OF NATURAL RUBBER.

STATEMENT SHOWING IMPORT OF LATEX OF NATURAL RUBBER DURING 1997-98, 1998-99 AND 1999-2000 (U NOVEMBER, 99)

Item	Year	Country	Quantity (MT)	Value (RsCr.)	Price Per Unit (Rs.)
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Natural Rubber Latex not prevulcanised and prevulcanised

1997-98	Malaysia	6495.43	24.28	37.39	
	Nigeria	134.40	0.48	36.17	
	Singapore	482.20	1.65	34.42	
	Srilanka	1460.80	6.15	42.15	
	Thailand	8398.22	29.66	35.32	
	Others	974.76	4.11	42.19	

TOTAL 17945.81 66.33

1998-99	Malaysia	2657.39	8.53	32.12	
	Mayanmar	1362.51	3.63	26.67	
	Singapore	1349.09	3.96	29.36	
	Thailand	6170.16	18.34	29.72	
	Srilanka	564.45	2.16	38.43	
	USA	566.89	1.54	27.27	
	Others	497.58	1.80	36.35	

TOTAL 13168.07 39.96

1999-2000 (Upto Nov. 1999)

Malaysia	894.54	2.44	27.29
Mayanmar	539.73	1.25	23.33
Srilanka	514.90	1.36	26.42
Thailand	2768.35	7.61	27.49
USA	388.20	1.12	28.92
Others	204.88	0.71	34.68

TOTAL 5310.60 14.49

SOURCE : DGCIS, CALCUTTA